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In Re: Patent Term Extension  
Application for  
U.S. Patent No. 6,156,067

Dear Mr. Richter :

A certificate under 35 U.S.C. § 156 is enclosed extending the term of U.S. Patent No. 6,156,067 for a period of 5 years. While a courtesy copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), you should directly correspond with the FDA regarding any required changes to the patent expiration dates set forth in the Patent and Exclusivity Data Appendix of the Orange Book (Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations) or in the Patent Information set forth in the Green Book (FDA Approved Animal Drug Products). Effective August 18, 2003, patent submissions for publication in the Orange Book and Docket \*95S-0117 need to be submitted on form FDA-3542 which may be downloaded from FDA's Electronic Forms Download Website:

<http://www.fda.gov/opacom/morechoices/fdaforms/default.html>  
(<http://www.fda.gov/opacom/morechoices/fdaforms/FDA-3542.pdf>).

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RE: BRYAN@cervical disc  
system  
Docket No.: FDA-2009-E-0583

Attention: Beverly Friedman

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## (12) CERTIFICATE EXTENDING PATENT TERM UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 156

(68) PATENT NO. : 6,156,067  
(45) ISSUED : December 5, 2000  
(75) INVENTOR : Vincent Bryan et al.  
(73) PATENT OWNER : Medtronic Sofamor Danek, Inc.  
(95) PRODUCT : BRYAN® cervical disc system

This is to certify that an application under 35 U.S.C. § 156 has been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, requesting extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 6,156,067 based upon the regulatory review of the product BRYAN® cervical disc system by the Food and Drug Administration. Since it appears that the requirements of the law have been met, this certificate extends the term of the patent for the period of

(94) 5 years

from November 14, 2014, the original expiration date of the patent, subject to the payment of maintenance fees as provided by law, with all rights pertaining thereto as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 156.



I have caused the seal of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to be affixed this 1st day of March 2012.

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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and  
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